

STRATEGIC PLAN

Mission

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) conducts objective performance audits, program evaluations, special studies, and sunset reviews on behalf of the legislature and the citizens of the state of Washington. The Committee makes recommendations to the legislature and state agencies that should result in cost savings and/or improved performance in state government.

Goal

To ensure the mission of the Committee is successfully achieved through the JLARC work program and Committee actions, and through effectively communicating on JLARC matters and following up on Committee recommendations.

Strategies

IMPACTS AND STANDARDS

- Carefully assess study requests
- Ensure study results are used
- Meet auditing standards

ACCOUNTABILITY

- Track and report study impacts
- Conduct peer review of office

COMMUNICATIONS

- Assess value of publications, presentations, orientations, and other communications
- Use member advisory groups for major studies
- Encourage opportunities to share study results

Vision

Our vision is to be a proactive Committee whose work is an integral part of the legislative oversight of state government and is recognized as useful. JLARC recommendations have significant policy, accountability, and program and fiscal implications. Besides providing direction and oversight of JLARC reviews, JLARC members are educators, focal points, facilitators, and conduits of JLARC work.

Objectives

1. IMPACTS AND STANDARDS

- Ensure the work of the JLARC is responsive and useful to the legislature's priorities (and the public's interest) by making timely and substantive recommendations based on independent research.

2. ACCOUNTABILITY

- Implement JLARC policies and protocols that allow for accountability of the JLARC to the legislature (and the public).

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- Increase participation of JLARC members and interest among legislators in JLARC work.

Performance Measures

- Total direct quantifiable savings or costs avoided that result from JLARC findings and recommendations (in dollars).
- Potential savings and costs to be avoided if JLARC recommendations are implemented (in dollars).